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Thank you again for agreeing to a telephone interview for the application referenced above. I can now confirm that we will be able to talk with you on Friday, July 13, 2001, at 2 p.m. (EST). As I mentioned, I will call you together with Janis Fraser, a principal here at Fish & Richardson, and I would like to allow Mr. Len Rasile, an attorney for the licensee of the application, to participate as well.

Following is a copy of our response to the Office action outstanding in the case. In reviewing the response, I noticed one formatting error and one substantive error that I would like to call to your attention. The formatting error occurs on page 12. The last paragraph on that page should not be indented (only the paragraphs before and after it should be). The substantive error occurs on page 10. Please see the copy attached, where I have lined through text that was inadvertently retained from a previous version of our response. I apologize for these errors.

Please do not be alarmed by the number of new claims. As you will see, we still wish to claim a fusion protein, but have limited the claims to proteins containing either an antigen of the influenza virus or an HPV antigen. The claims that were pending have been limited to cover the former, and a similar set of claims has necessarily been added to cover the latter.

We are looking forward to speaking with you on Friday. Thanks again.

Very truly yours,

Lee Crews, Ph.D.

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